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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Title: INTELLIGENT NETWORK CHARGING EDGE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction dated March 31, 2004, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-24 and 41-48) are provisionally elected with traverse. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction, for reasons set forth below.

THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No changes to the claims have been made, however the claims are presented to assist the Examiner.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 10 of this paper.